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For: PROBE FOR SCANNING PROBE LITHOGRAPHY

AND MAKING METHOD THEREOF

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the Amendment filed December 13, 2001, amend the above-identified application as follows.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite claims 6 and 14 as set forth below.

6. (Amended) A probe for scanning probe lithography as claimed in claim 1,

wherein said fine needle is made of a hard conductive material selected from the group consisting of titanium, tungsten, molybdenum, titanium carbide, tungsten carbide, molybdenum carbide, hydrogenated carbon, titanium